

REMARKS

Formal Matters

Claims 1 and 48-56 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein. Claims 2-47 and 57-67 have been canceled, without prejudice, above.

The specification and abstract have been amended above to correct minor informalities.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in view of the amendments and remarks made herein.

No new matter has been added.

Conclusion

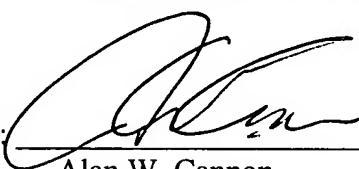
Applicants submit that all of the claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2653, order number GUID-028CON2.

Respectfully submitted,
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